ILLINOIS SELF-INSURERS ADVISORY BOARD ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

January 7, 2009 Chicago, IL 10:30 A.M.

Attendees: Acting Chairman Amy Masters, Gerald Cooper, Paul McCloskey, David Taylor, Jean Cannon, Maria Sarli-Dehlin, Lynette Thompson-Smith, and via conference call: Curtis Beam, Wendy Davidson, Kevin Leach

Chairman Masters called the meeting to order at 10:35 A.M. A previously prepared agenda was distributed, a copy of which is attached.

I. Minutes

Upon motion by Paul McCloskey, seconded by Gerald Cooper, the minutes of the Board meeting held on September 10, 2008, were unanimously approved as presented.

II. Chairman's Report

Chairman Masters announced her appointment as Acting Chairman of the Commission effective November 21, 2008 due to the resignation of Chairman Gerald Jutila, and recommendation by the Workers' Compensation Advisory Board.

Chairman Masters reported a JCAR hearing was scheduled for January 13, 2009 to review the proposed amendments to the Illinois Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule to create fee schedules for ambulatory surgical treatment centers, rehabilitation hospitals, emergency room and hospital outpatient. If approved, the new rules will take effect on February 1, 2009. Further, the 2009 medical fee schedule is online.

Chairman Masters also reported interviews were in process for IT Manager and various positions in the Operations Division.

Chairman Masters further reported the Insurance Compliance Division continues to collect fines from uninsured employers. It has collected \$400,000 during FY2009 and over \$3.5 million since 2006.

Chairman Masters also stated the Workers' Compensation Fraud Unit of the Illinois Dept. of Professional and Financial Regulation will begin posting prosecutions on its website.

III. Manager's Report

A. Bankruptcy Exposure to Security Fund

Maria Sarli-Dehlin presented the Board the Bankruptcy Exposure to Security Fund report as of 9/30/08.

B. Security Fund Forecast

Maria Sarli-Dehlin presented to the Board the security fund forecast as of 9/30/08.

IV. New Business

Maria Sarli-Dehlin distributed proposed 2009 meeting dates.

Thereafter, the Chairman moved to go into closed session to discuss litigation/attorney's report pursuant to 2(c)11 of the Open Meetings Act. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the public portion of the meeting, after which the Board convened in closed session.

After closed session, the Board reconvened in open session. There being no further business, upon motion by Paul McCloskey, seconded by Gerald Cooper and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 11:25 AM.